

Home Circle Column.

A Column Dedicated To Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle.

TWO PATHS IN LIFE.

Just in front of every young man and young woman who reads this department are two paths leading into the future, and it is for them to select which path they will journey in. In all their selecting are their neighbors, some of whom in early life selected one path and others the opposite. The neighbor who made the wise choice can be seen returning to his home for the evening meal, his face radiant with joy as the children meet him at the gate, each one endeavoring to get the first kiss. The other neighbor goes home through the alley, his step is unsteady, his face flushed with dissipation, the children flee to the mother as he approaches. These two neighbors had an equal start upon life's voyage, the difference now so plainly visible is caused by the paths they selected to travel in at the beginning of the journey. A few years of training in our schools upon the one hand, on the streets upon the other hand, will make all the difference you see in the neighbors. A youth of study and training in a few years moulds lineaments of the face into the resemblance of the first picture of manhood, while by a few equally inevitable, idleness and dissipation bring out all the lower animal faculties, which reveal themselves in the depressed forehead, the lined eyebrow, the coarse mouth so plainly developed in the man who chose the wrong path. The boy who selects the wrong path soon becomes a drunkard and a loafer, sneaking around the grogshop in hope of securing a treat from some one who knew him in his flush days, while he who has chosen the other path, as he games the "mid journey of life" and slowly descends the slope towards age grows daily richer in the love and esteem of those around him; and in the bosom of the family that gathers about his hearth, lives over again the happy youth and earnest manhood. What a different picture is presented to the fate of him who has chosen the returnless down-ward path. The shadows deepen as he descends the hill of life. He has been successively useless, a pest and a burden to society and when he dies there is not a soul to wish his life had been prolonged. Two lives like these lie in possibility enfolded within every infant born into the world. Let every young person who reads this department study well the pen painting of these two lives and select the right path upon which to start upon life's journey.

HOW TO BEGIN MARRIED LIFE.

In the first solitary hour after the ceremony, take the bridegroom and demand a solemn vow of him and give him a vow in return. Promise each other, secretly, never, not even in jest, to wrangle with each other never to bandy words or to indulge in the least ill-humor. Never, we say, never. Wrangling in jest, and putting on an air of ill-humor merely to tease, becomes earnest by practice. Mark that! Next, promise each other sincerely and solemnly, never to keep a secret from each other, under whatever pretext, and whatever excuse it might be. You must continually, and every moment, see clearly into each other's bosom. Even when one of you has committed a fault, wait not an instant, but go and confess it. And as you keep nothing from each other, so, on the contrary, preserve the privacies of your home marriage state and heart from father, mother, sister, brother, aunt and all the world. You two, with God's help, build your own quiet world. Every third or fourth one you draw into it with you will form a party and stand between you two. That should never be. Promise this to each other. Remember the vow at each temptation. Your souls will grow, as it were, to each other, and at last become as one. Ah, if many a pair had, on their marriage day, known this secret, how many a marriage were happier than alas, they are.

KEEP STRAIGHT AHEAD.

Pay no attention to slander or gossip-mongers. Keep straight on in your course, and let their backbitings die the death of neglect. What is the use of lying awake nights brooding over the remarks of some false friend that run through your brain like forked lightning? What's the use of getting into a worry and fret over gossip that has been set afloat to your disadvantage by some meddlesome lout, who has more time than character. These things can't possibly injure you, unless indeed, you take notice of them and in combating them give them character and standing. If what is said about you is true, set yourself right at once; if it is false let it go for what it will fetch. If a bee stings you, would you go to the hive and destroy it? Would not a thousand come upon you? It is wisdom to say little respecting the injuries you have received. We are generally losers in the end if we stop to refute all the backbitings and gossipings we may hear by the way. They are annoying, it is true, but not dangerous so long as we do not stop to exultate and scold. Our characters are formed and sustained by our own actions and purposes, and not by others. Let us always bear in mind that calumniators may usually be trusted to time and the slow but steady justice of public opinion.

A GOOD WIFE.

We recently received a letter from an old friend, in the sunset of life, conveying to us the sad news of the death of his wife. Among other beautiful things he says, "My domestic enjoyments have been perhaps as near perfection as the human condition permits. She made my home the pleasantest spot to me on earth. And now that she is gone, my worldly loss is perfect." How many poor fellows would be saved from the penitentiary and the gallows and from suicide, every year, had they been blessed with such a wife. "She made my home the pleasantest spot to me on earth." What a grand tribute to that woman's love, and piety and common sense. How different the testimony of an old man recently hung for murdering his wife whose last words before dropping into eternity were: "I did not intend to kill my wife, but she was a very aggravating woman." Let each wife who reads this ask herself "Which am I?"

West Virginia Items.

A serious affray is reported from the neighborhood of East Lynn in which C. H. Kendrick received some painful injuries at the hands of Will Adams that may prove of a very serious nature. Adams attacked Kendrick with a club and in the mix-up two of Kendrick's ribs were broken and it is feared that internal injuries were also inflicted. Adams came to East Lynn and surrendered to Constable Jackson who took him before Squire C. W. Tabor for examination. The justice bound him over in the penalty of \$1,000 to answer an indictment, and as the accused was unable to give the bond escaped from the constable before he could be conveyed to jail.

Beckley, W. Va. Sept. 19 News has just reached here that Theodore Darby aged 21, shot and killed Samuel Blackman at the church door at Sun, Fayette county near Mt. Hope, about nine o'clock Sunday night. It appears that Darby had taken a sister of Blackman's to preaching services and the girl's brother objected. Blackman lay in wait at the church door for the couple, and when they departed from the church Blackman struck Darby over the head and shoulders with a club, telling him to the ground, badly bruised and injured. Darby who is a good shot, drew a pistol from his pocket as he sank to the ground under the blows from the club wielded by Blackman, and fired one shot at his assailant. Blackman fell dead. Darby was arrested and taken to Fayetteville today by a constable, where he will be given a preliminary hearing and bound over to answer an indictment.

The Weston Lumber Co. of Weston, W. Va. says that it has purchased the timber on the Craig and Conner lands, embracing about 2,500 acres, near Camden-on-Gauley. The stampage consists of virgin timber, and is estimated to cut 25,000,000 feet of lumber, in addition to a large number of telephone poles, cross-ties, mine props, etc. Operations for the development of the property will be conducted at the plant of the Roane Lumber Co. at Allingdale, which the Weston Lumber Co. has also purchased, together with other property. In order to supply the requisite amount of capital for the new enterprise the Weston Lumber Co. has increased its capital stock.

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THE NEW LARGEST STEAMSHIP.

By her entrance into regular service the transatlantic steamship Lusitania, which arrived at New York last Friday upon her first voyage from Liverpool, places before the public the largest and most remarkable vessel the world has ever seen for ocean passenger and freight business. The successful application of turbine engines to the task of propelling so vast a bulk over thousands of miles of sea at a high rate of speed has awakened deep interest and enthusiasm, especially among the advocates of the turbine principle in marine engineering. As to speed, she has cut down the record from Queens-town to New York by practically six hours and a half, the exact time, according to the log being 6 hours 29 minutes. As to steadiness, there seems to have been difference of opinion among the passengers, some of whom said that the absence of vibration talked about was not realized, while others asserted that the comfort of travel on her was everything which could be desired. It appears, indeed, that the use of turbine engines has resulted in a very steady steamship and also in the probability that other builders of ocean flyers will use them more extensively. The Mauretania, a steamer like the Lusitania and owned by the same company, will begin her trips about November 1. She is now being finished.

Transportation men particularly and the public generally will be interested in the figures which show the magnitude of the Lusitania. She is nearly 800 feet long, exact length being 790 feet, or almost 100 feet longer than the renowned Great Eastern, which for years was the leviathan of the seas. Her width is five feet greater than the latter, or 88 feet, and her funnels are 55 feet higher, or 155 feet; her horse power is 70,000; that of the Great Eastern was 11,000. To operate the Lusitania's machinery requires 21 engineers, 192 firemen and 120 trimmers. On the voyage she burned from 900 to 1000 tons of coal each day. It is estimated that her total expenses for the trip, including supplies, amounted to 25,000 lb. or over \$125,000. She has nine decks, and can accommodate 2350 passengers thus: 550 first class, 500 second class, 1200 third class. On this trip she had 2099 passengers. Her freight-carrying capacity is 22,500 tons; her displacement is 45,000 tons and her depth is 37 feet 6 inches, but when she entered New York she drew only 32 feet 2 inches at the stern. She has four propellers, two operated by high pressure and two by low pressure turbines, the outer shafts being high pressure. She has 175 water-tight compartments. A description of the interior of this great ship would say that her builders have made her look as much like a comfortable hotel as possible; many of her windows are like those of a house, while beds instead of berths are the sleeping accommodations in the best cabins. Elevators convey passengers from deck to deck, and once within it might puzzle the traveler to discover that he was on shipboard. Yet what ever of essential value has been accomplished in the construction of the Lusitania may be expected to find reproduction, though probably of lesser degree, in other vessels to ply between other ports. Therefore what ever this vessel and her sister ship may possess in the way of improved machinery and of safety appliances will surely be imitated and applied for the benefit of all who travel the great seas.

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